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Inventors: Raje, et al.

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Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
GENERATING SIGN-OFF PROTOTYPES
FOR THE DESIGN AND FABRICATION
OF INTEGRATED CIRCUITS

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RESPONSE A TO OFFICE ACTION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This RESPONSE A is in reply to the Office Action mailed September 12, 2002.

Amendments

In the Claims:

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner replace claims 1-100 with claims 1-36, 70-81, and 94-100 set forth below — AMENDING claims 14-24, 76, and 94 and CANCELING